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- 1. As of 27 October 1954. 70.000 tons of manganese ore were still to be delivered by the USSR for the 1954 Plan Year. The following amounts of this deficit were enroute as of that date:
 - a. by rail:

1,500 tons from Mine no. 1 in Chiatura 5,000 tons from Mine no. 1 in Nikopo

b. by sea:

8,400 tons from Mine no. 1 in Chiatura

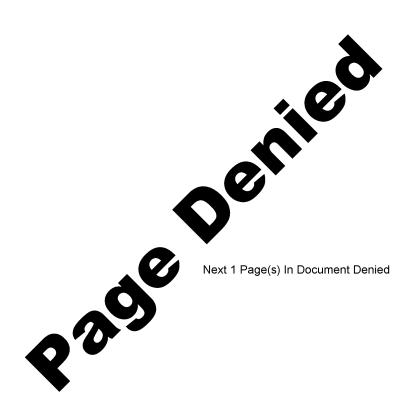
The loading of the shipments arriving by sea was completed on 17 October 1954. The duration of the sea voyage was expected to be about three weeks.

- 2. The 1955 Plan for manganese ore provider for a total import of 190,000 tons of ore. The original amount of 50,000 tons, to be imported in the first quarter of 1955, was reduced to 20,000 tons. However, since the collective processing plants had a minimum requirement of 23,000 tons per quarter, this import quantity would have to be increased to about 25,000 tons.
- The 70,000 tons of ore still lacking from the 1954 Planes to come exclusively from the USSR. The 20,000 tons to be imported in the first quarter of 1955 were to grad in equal amounts, from the USSR and from Rumania.
- 4. It was estimated that 1954 stocks would last until the middle of Mebruary 1955; the first deliveries of imports for the first quarter of 1955 should, therefore, reach the processing plants by the end of February 1955 at the latest.

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